

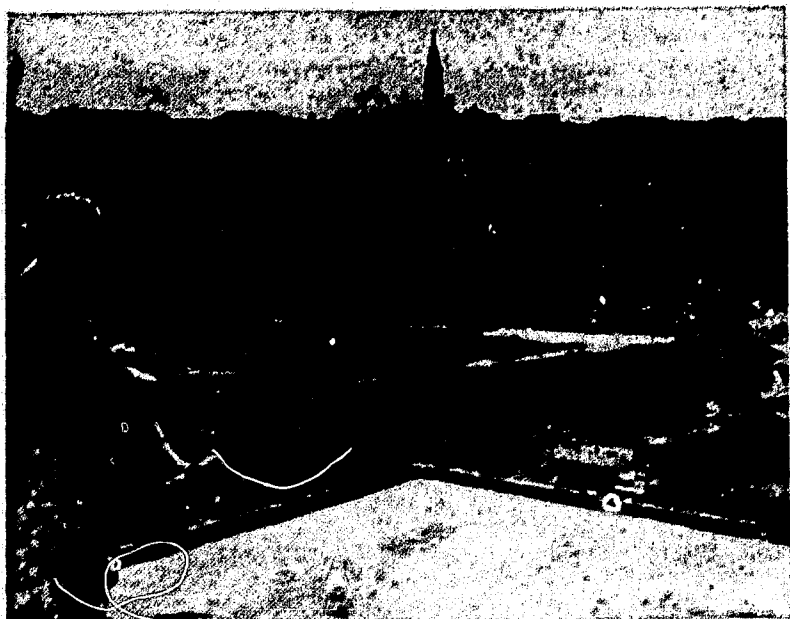
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

UNO Weathers First Big Test; Rail Unions Balk at Pay Award; Civilian Output at Peak Rate

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the Western Newspaper Union and not necessarily of this newspaper.)



Seated on stone block of ruined public building, Polish girl views desolation of once modern building section of Warsaw. Once proud Polish capital is now ghost city of Europe, with half of its population half-starved and ill-clad.

UNO:

Weather Storm

Frught with danger to the United Nations Organization and world peace, the tense Russo-Franco dispute melted under the pressure of diplomatic compromise, with Moscow saving face and Tehran its reverence.

Secretary of State James Byrnes, chief U. S. delegate to the UNO security council, started the happy train of events, suggesting that both countries state their position in the dispute over Russian failure to withdraw from Iran before UNO considered action in the case.

Russia had walked out of the security council after its decision to consider the question and Byrnes' proposal offered an excellent opportunity for the Reds to walk back without losing prestige. Making the most of the chance, the Russians wrote UNO that they were pulling out of Iran without imposing any conditions for their retirement and their troops should be gone by May 6.

RAIL PAY:

Balk at Findings

In protesting the 16-cent-an-hour raise awarded by a labor management arbitration board, railroad union officials declared that the board had failed to meet higher living costs and adjust differences in pay between railroad workers and employees in other industries.

Declaring rail of workers were entitled to a 40-cent-an-hour increase, H. M. Jewell, representing 500,000 operating men, and E. E. Williams, president of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, asserted that the minimum award should have included 114 cents an hour for higher living costs and the general industry wage 10% cost-of-living increase.

Meanwhile, rail and officials also declared against the arbitration board's wage decrease, estimated to add up to \$400 per year for 250,000 members of three operating and 15,000 operating unions and that the carriers' \$251,000,000 annual loss.

Following the carriers' warnings that increased wages would require rate increases, President Fred G. Gurley of the Santa Fe announced that the 16-cent-an-hour award was too large and his road would immediately appeal for higher freight tariffs. Stating it at the wage increases would add \$25,000,000 yearly to Santa Fe operating costs, Gurley and the board coupled with higher material, supply and fuel costs against reduced income made the step necessary.

Because both the railroads and unions had agreed to accept the arbitration board's findings as final in submitting their dispute for settlement, no work stoppage loomed because of disagreement over terms.

The recommendations were handed down even as a fact-finding panel conducted hearings on demands of the Brotherhood of Locomotive

Engineers and Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen for a 25 per cent wage increase and changes in working rules. In demanding that wages and working rules be considered simultaneously, the two unions refused to join the other 18 in submitting the pay issue to arbitration.

CONGRESS:

Pay Adjustment

Government employees were in line for a pay increase as a result of congressional action but an administration measure to raise the minimum wage to 60 cents an hour appeared doomed because of the farm bloc's insistence that the same bill hike the parity formula over President Truman's protest.

The senate and house strove to get together on a uniform pay increase for U. S. employees following their approval of conflicting raises. While the senate had ok'd an 11 per cent boost, the house voted a \$400 a year advance. Since the house also decided to limit department appropriations in the 1947 fiscal year to those of 1946, however, the higher pay would cover fewer employees and thus cut the federal payroll by \$200,000.

In pushing for an upward revision of the parity formula as an amendment to the 60-cent-an-hour minimum wage bill over President Truman's veto threat, the farm bloc sought to protect farmers' returns in a period of rising costs. Trumpey administration disapproval, Secretary of Agriculture Anderson declared revision of the parity formula to include farm wages would result in a 33 per cent boost in farm prices and spark an inflationary cycle.

PRODUCTION:

Rosy Prospects

In meeting the pent-up and ordinary demands of consumers, requirements for a large military establishment and heavy exports, the U. S. faces an unparalleled period of prosperity.

Reconversion Director John W. Snyder indicated in a report to President Truman that despite work stoppages and material shortages, civilian production had reached a rate of 150 billion dollars during the first three months of 1946. Snyder said, with private wages and salary payments returning almost to the pre-V-J Day date of \$2 billion dollars.

Non-agricultural employment totaled 44,700,000 in February, with 2,700,000 jobless seeking work. Indicative of the huge demand for goods, Snyder said that consumer and business purchases during the first quarter of 1946 equaled those of the Christmas period in contrast to an ordinary drop of 10 to 12 billion dollars. Though overall civilian production rose, the textile shortage remained acute, being aggravated by millist refusal to sell unfinished goods because of higher profits on bleached or printed cloth.

Notwithstanding increasing production and high taxes, the threat of an inflationary spiral remains. Snyder said. Noting the trend, he pointed out that on March 15 wholesale food prices were 31 per cent above those of the same date last year and the prices of other products were up 23 per cent.

Laundries Boom

Showing a continuing trend in increased patronage of commercial laundries, the nation's laundries did a record-breaking \$31 million dollar business in 1945. This all-time high represents increases of 4.6 per cent over 1944 and 127 per cent over 1933.

Increases in laundry services sales volume were reported from every section of the country.

OVERSEAS RELIEF:

London Confab

The problem of aiding war-stricken countries over the 1946-47 consumption year concerned delegates from 18 Allied, neutral and former enemy nations at the Emergency Economic conference for Europe being held in London.

With the U. S. aiming to ship 1,000,000 tons of wheat monthly toward a goal of 11,000,000 tons, efforts were bent on stimulating contributions from other countries to fill out the huge deficit. In this connection, a report of the conference's combined food board recommended that Russia be requested to furnish cereals and that steps be taken to increase the extent of Argentine exports.

Little Ireland followed the U. S. in setting an example to the participating nations, announcing it would send 35,000 cattle, 9,000,000 pounds of canned meat, 20,000 tons of sugar as well as milk, bacon and cheese to the continent this year. Normally Eire sends most of its cattle and eggs to Britain.

MIHALOVITCH:

U.S. to Aid

Lauding Gen. Draja Mihailovich's contributions to the Allied cause in the early stages of the European war, the U. S. state department asked the Yugoslav government that American officers attached to the Chetnik leader's headquarters be permitted to testify on his behalf in his forthcoming treason trial.

Famed for his daring guerrilla warfare against the Germans during the height of Nazi domination, Mihailovich lost his grip on the Yugoslav resistance movement with Allied recognition of the Communist-trained Tito following the Russian resurgence in 1943. At odds with Tito, Mihailovich became a fugitive, charged with collaborating toward the end with the Germans invaders.

In coming to Mihailovich's defense in the face of bitter Communist allegations against the Chetnik leader, the state department said many American army fliers had been rescued and returned to Allied lines through the daring efforts of his forces. It was also pointed out that U. S. officers were attached to Mihailovich's headquarters as liaison men in co-ordinating resistance operations.

F.D.R.:

Sell Stamps

Individual hobbyists and dealers shared in the purchase of Franklin D. Roosevelt's famed stamp collection, which brought him to his estate over \$210,000. Representing a lifetime collection of the late President, the stamps were appraised in advance of the auction at \$80,000.

Berry Hill, a New York dealer, was one of the biggest buyers at the sale, paying \$1,885 for most of 20 lots of French stamps and die-proofs and \$1,015 for four groups of German stamps included in statistical albums showing the extent of inflation in the reich after World War I.

Dr. L. L. Ruland, a hobbyist, topped bids to pay \$4,700 for 62 lots of Chinese stamps presented to Mr. Roosevelt by Chiang Kai-shek. K. Bilinski, a Canadian dealer, paid \$2,100 for 848 stamps of a Russian collection tendered to the late President by Soviet Ambassador Maxim Litvinov.

Almost \$37,000 was realized on the sale of 107 lots of Venezuelan stamps and albums.

NEAR EAST:

Plot Thickens

Long the pawns of European power politics, natives of the Near East again figured in the diplomatic double play of the oil-rich region, with reports that the Russians were aiding chieftains of 5,000,000 Kurds in Iran, Turkey, Iraq and Syria in the establishment of an independent republic.

Though the Kurds in these countries enjoy relative freedom in the mountains—regions under local chieftains, the independence movement reportedly has thrived under Russian backing. An independent Kurdish republic already has been proclaimed with headquarters at Mahabad in northern Iran and Russian technicians were said to have arrived there to help strengthen native forces.

Headed by Ghazi Mohammed, the Kurdish movement was thrown into gear at a conference of tribal leaders held in Baku, Russia, last November. Revenue and troops reportedly are being furnished by the chieftains who attended the powwow, with the heart of the movement centered in British-controlled Iraq. Like Iran, Iraq's oil fields form part of the huge near eastern deposits prized by the major powers.

ASIA:

With production off 40 billion pounds below the 1938-40 average, Asiatic countries are threatened with a serious rice shortage, especially in areas where the cereal is the staple diet, the department of agriculture said. The scarcity is the result of a small 1945-46 crop, which was reduced by the war, and inability to transport comparatively small surpluses to shortage areas. It will become most acute in the next few months as stocks from the 1945-46 harvest become exhausted.

Washington Digest

Push for Draft as Army Recruitment Misses Mark

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WASHINGTON.—Uncle Sam is completing the biggest "help wanted" campaign in history and he's afraid it hasn't been a 100 per cent success.

When the tumult and the shouting dies, the captains and the kings depart, the men who served their country "take up the plough-shares or the pen as a simple citizen again," and somebody has to look around for more to make up the peacetime army and navy. That's what Uncle Sam has been doing.

Life on the bounding main has always had sufficient appeal, especially to islanders, to keep the navy up to par without much effort. But Americans ordinarily just don't go for soldiering, and that fact has the war department worried. It doesn't decide how big or little the army must be. It gets its orders from higher up. Such and such is America's policy—the war department has to get enough pairs of sound legs and arms and enough cool heads to carry it out.

Conscription has always been unpopular. We don't even like to use the word. But we have to get the men. Hence the fight to extend the draft and hence the greatest recruiting campaign this or any other country has ever launched. The sum expended on this campaign is big, even compared to the amount spent to remind America of "the pause that refreshes." It was run like any other advertising campaign, with a selection of the media best suited for its purposes. Newspapers, daily and weekly, magazines, especially those devoted to popular science, billboards and radio, posters and window displays were generously used.

It did bring in 320,251 recruits, but that isn't enough. And enlistments have declined steadily from their peak in November. That month 185,000 men either signed up or "re-upped" as we used to say. But watch the numbers shrink! December, 131,000; January, 113,000; February, 93,000; March (estimated) 73,000; April, 77,777?

Seek to Better

G.I.'s Lot

Besides this vigorous campaign a real, sincere and sustained effort is being made to improve the life in barracks and drill-field. Hearings to hear the G.I. gripe, with specific plans to right wrongs where they were found and can be corrected, a thorough examination of army justice by civilian lawyers selected by the American Bar association, a 20 per cent pay increase, all these are part of a plan furthered by Secretary of War Patterson whose one desire is to leave the army better when he retires than the way he found it.

But there are a lot of hurdles. One is the need of a higher type of soldier in these days of mechanized warfare; the second is the increasing standard of civilian wages with which the army has to compete. The automotive and the durable goods industries are the chief competitors and their pay is good.

However, there are intangibles which enter into the question too. A man has to have more than a desire for clothes, a roof and three square meals a day and no responsibilities. To enlist he has to have a certain love for adventure, a willingness to accept the hardships of barracks life in far countries.

The army doesn't really in its heart want the draft. It is a case of taking what they can get. I know of no officer who would not prefer a volunteer army. That is another intangible. But with the commitments which the United States has today and until a United Nations organization can be formed which can take over the military function of the separate countries, the need is men.

There is something strange about the opposition to extension of the draft as revealed in the hearings. In my personal contacts I have not felt that opposition. By far the majority of people I have talked with on my recent trip through seven states have agreed that extension of selective service was necessary—some said a necessary evil—but still necessary. One of the most



carefully conducted polls undertaken by the National Opinion Research center of Denver university has this to say:

"A substantial majority of the public in this country are convinced that—in spite of the military implications of the atom bomb—the United States needs peacetime military training. This conviction is evidenced by nation-wide survey results just released by the National Opinion Research center, University of Denver.

"To test the stability of public opinion on the issue, NORC asked separate but comparable cross-sections of the population two different worded questions, one stating an argument against conscription in view of the military implications of the atom bomb, the other stating an argument for conscription in view of atomic implications. No matter how the question was worded, a strong majority favor compulsory military training in this country.

"Even the anti-conscription wording elicits a 68 per cent majority in favor of military training despite the atom bomb, while the pro-conscription question elicits no more than a 71 per cent majority in favor of the idea."

Some of the opposition to the legislation came from people who were dupes of what many officials believe to be subversive organizations. Some have been fostered by congressmen looking for votes.

At this writing, however, it seems that common sense and patriotism are going to come to Uncle Sam's rescue.

Cut German

Beer Supply

I have just been in touch with the state department and am able to say, unofficially, but by no means uncertainly, that the Germans are not going to get a soft peace. I do not refer to the plan for slicing German industry to a very thin piece or the renewed efforts at denazification in the American zone. What I am able to report is a step recently taken which the Germans will undoubtedly consider cruel and unusual punishment.

They are not going to be allowed, as they hoped they would be, to brew beer. The United States government has ruled "nothing doing" because of the food situation and "other reasons."

For the precise data on the situation I am indebted to my former colleague, the Western Newspaper Union's correspondent, now in Germany, Pauline Fredrick. Here it is:

"The situation on brewing of beer in the three other zones of Germany is as follows, based on the reports given us by the agricultural representatives of these zones in Berlin: British zone—Brewing of beer prohibited by military order. French zone—Brewing permitted until the recent critical food shortage stopped it.

"Russian zone—Brewing permitted but no information is available on the amount of grain being used in the Russian zone for this purpose.

"The proposed brewing program in the American zone requires 39,000 tons of barley which will produce about 25 per cent of the 1931 consumption based on a 12-month period in our zone. The 1931 production was the lowest on record. No coal is permitted for brewing purposes until local food processing needs have been supplied.

"Thirty-nine thousand tons of barley represents the breadgrain ration requirements of our zone for approximately 10 days. The relative caloric value of 39,000 tons of barley in the form of beer is 50.32 billion calories, or to put it another way, one liter is equal to 100 grams of bread in caloric value.

"In the brewing process as compared with the utilization of barley for bread approximately 20 per cent of the food value of barley is lost. The whole question of brewing beer in our zone is a big political one and promises have been made by the minister-presidents and directors of agriculture that this beer would be forthcoming in the spring months when farmers and workers can have it in the heavy working season. The German authorities have agreed that if the beer is made it will not be issued as a supplement to the present ration but will be issued as a substitute for bread based on its caloric value."

Well, politics or no politics, the Germans aren't going to get their beer—let the foam fly where it may.

BARBS . . . by Baukhage

In my mail: "The case of Russia versus Iran reminds me of what the elephant said to the flea as they were going into the Ark. 'Quit your shoving!'"

Reports of sun spot disturbances make me wonder if perhaps Old Sol disapproves of this business of earthlings fooling with the atom. It would be comic if it weren't comic.

Another mail item clipped from an English publication, circa 1920:

"What is a Communist? One who has yearnings."

For an equal division of unequal earnings;

Idler or bungler, or both, he is willing To fork out his copper and pocket your shilling."

Star Dust

STAGE-SCREEN-RADIO

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

By VIRGINIA VALE

PAUL HENREID, who plays a curate in Warner Bros. "Devotion," was puzzled by a group of eight nice looking gentlemen who visited the set where he was working. They edged up as close as possible, and paid rapt attention when he did a scene with Olivia de Havilland. Afterward he learned that they were clergymen, and were interested in making a parish call. Incidentally, after getting her man in 30 straight pictures since 1935, Olivia gets turned down by Victor Francen in this one. However, she marries Henreid—and she says her infatuation for Francen was just a school-girl crush anyway, so it doesn't count.

Louise Allbritton, who co-starred with William Eythe in "For Always" on a recent "This Is My Best" airing over CBS, did it under difficulties. She'd been badly unnerved by an auto wreck on her



LOUISE ALLBRITTON

way to the studio. She wasn't hurt, but she was upset and excited. Yet you'd never have suspected it. She didn't even look nervous, and she didn't fluff a line of her complicated dialogue.

Robert Montgomery, who co-stars with Miss Garson in "A Woman of My Own," is going to delight all of us who liked him so much in "Night Must Fall" by making another mystery story by the same author, Raymond Chandler. This one is "Lady in the Lake."

Columbia Broadcasting System is certainly covering the news with the organization behind "Robert Trout with the News This Now" (6:45-7:00 p. m., EST). It includes 36 Columbia news experts located in 17 of the world's liveliest news centers. Something new will be introduced by a staff of experts who will "research" the news; they'll build news backgrounds against which the news can be projected, give documentation to the stories. Trained reporters will help prepare the scripts.

Patricia Clayton's made history—she's zoomed to popularity via a singing commercial! She's the original "Chiquita Banana" girl, and people everywhere used to listen to her voice telling them not to put bananas in the refrigerator. Now Patricia has her own program, "Waitin' for Clayton," on CBS at 6:15 p. m., EST, thanks largely to the tons of fan mail she received.

In "Little Giant," their new Universal picture, Abbott and Costello break their 16-year-old entertainment formula. They perform as individuals, not as a team, and for the first time since 1930 they're following a script, studying lines and written directions—formerly they improvised their dialogue and invented the accompanying action. And they're not including any of their comic routines.

A special group of page boys has been assigned to the 6th floor studios at NBC in New York, to handle the exuberant bobby-soxers who swarm in the wake of their new idol, Robert Merrill. The 27-year-old baritone has been creating a sensation at the Metropolitan Opera House.

In the movie, "Doll Face," which stars Perry Como, he's called upon to sell his barber shop to finance his show business aspirations. The screen writers were just delving into history—Perry once ran his own barber shop, in Cannonsburg, Pa. And he sold it so that he could get money to take a whack at singing professionally.

ODDS AND ENDS—Roy Millard was en route to a gas station for a job one day 13 years ago when William Maiklejohn, Paramount talent chief, signed him to a screen contract. . . . Robert Young grew a trim mustache in three and one-half weeks for his role in Hal Walker's "The Searching Wind." . . . David O. Selznick says his multi-million dollar production, "Dead in the Sun," will run for two hours and thirty-five minutes. . . . Before the "Queen for a Day" group even reached Denver, 25,000 requests for tickets had been received at the radio station carrying the broadcast.

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# OVERNIGHT GUEST

By BEN AMES WILLIAMS

THE STORY THUS FAR: Adam Bruce, FBI operator, Inspector Tope and Mrs. Tope met in the Maine woods. Tope found a man murdered at his camp. The body was first identified as Mr. Ledford, head of New England utilities. A car believed to have been used in the murder was raised from the quarry, with a woman's murdered body inside. Proof had been found that both the murdered man and the woman had been administered dope prior to their murder. The case, with the suicide of Kell, seemed to have blown up in Tope's face and Joe Dane, assistant D.A., took over the case. Tope, however, still had plans and asked Bruce to help without saying what he had in mind.

## CHAPTER XIII

"Stay and stay, as if you didn't know when to go. Stay till I come." He turned to Mr. Eberly. "I expect you've got old clothes and fishing tackle up at the lodge?" he suggested.

"Clothes, yes. Fishing things are at home. Why?"

"I'll lend you mine," said Tope. "Wait here." He turned to Mrs. Tope. "You come along, ma'am," he suggested mildly, "—case I can't find things."

So they departed toward Cascade together, and Adam wondered what instructions Tope was giving Mrs. Tope. When the old man returned alone, Eve got all pockets bulging.

"I've got all you'll need, Mr. Eberly," he said. "Now I want to make a phone-call to Whitlock—we may need him. Then I'll be with you."

Upon the deck of half-past four, Mr. Eberly, alone, wearing shoe-pacs, riding breeches, a loose flannel shirt and a bulky hunting coat buttoned to his throat, came in his own car up the drive to the Ledford place in the hills above Ridgecomb. Mr. Eberly was rather pale, but steady.

The driveway forked, a little below the house; one way led to the house itself, the other toward the garage and the service wing. Mr. Eberly turned in that direction, and as he came to the court upon which the garage faced, he pressed his horn.

There were living quarters above the stalls for the cars. At one of the windows there a man appeared, called: "Right, Carl. I'll be down."

Mr. Eberly stayed in the car, kept his engine running. A pulse was thumping faintly in his throat. Ledford, his fishing gear in his hands, a moment later appeared. He came briskly toward the car, a gray-haired little man with a long nose, deep lines framing his mouth, something suggestive of the Oriental in the cant of his eyes. He glanced behind him toward the house, climbed into the car, grasped Eberly by the hand.

"How are you, Carl?"

"First rate," Eberly assured him. He added: "I phoned to make sure you had arrived. You so often have to change your plans."

"Lucky you did," Ledford agreed. "My sister has called. Your Miss Dewain, and an iron-jawed woman I don't know. Alice fusses about my wearing woods clothes in the house. That's why I told you to come here instead of the front door." And he said: "The trout should rise. Wind's westerly."

Eberly made no comment. He was guiding the car up the winding road toward the trout pond, and a thick growth of hemlock and pine had already hidden from their view the house below them.

Ledford remarked: "I'm in a fishing mood, Carl. Sick of New York. I'd like to stay up here a month and do nothing but fish with you."

"How are things in New York?" Ledford said, moving his shoulders as though to shake off a burden. "Well, I've had an unpleasant few days. Hildon has gone wrong, Carl. But let me forget business. Been doing any fishing?"

"Got a new rod," Eberly replied. "And I've gone back to snelled flies."

"The trout won't know the difference," Ledford chuckled. "Well, here we are."

Eberly pulled up beside the boat-house, and they got out and began to set up their rods. "We're here just at the right time," Ledford decided. "Best fishing is from now till dark."

Eberly nodded, and they turned toward the boat-house.

Ledford was ahead. Eberly behind, and Eberly cleared his throat rather loudly, and he asked in a strained tone:

"Rufus, you feel all right?"

Ledford whirled to look at him. "Certainly! I'm tired, but I'm always tired. Why?"

"I don't quite know," Eberly admitted. "Something about you seems—different. Your voice, and the way you handle that rod, and you look a little thinner."

Ledford laughed, not mirthfully. "If you'd been working as hard as I—and I've a slight cold."

Eberly nodded. "So have I. That's why I bundled up against this wind." He added insistently: "I don't know what it is. The way you walk, maybe. You look taller."

"Nonsense," Ledford curtly insisted. "Come. Get in!" He slid the canoe into the water.

"I feel a lot more secure in the rowboat," Eberly suggested.

"And so do the trout," Ledford

retorted with a laugh. "They hear the rowlocks as soon as we leave the dock. Time you got over being afraid of a canoe, old man."

Eberly grinned. "Oh, all right. My life is in your hands," he said, and took the front seat. He held to the edge of the dock while Ledford got in, then took his paddle, and they moved away, out of the little cove, around the wooded point, across the pond.

Once Eberly turned half around in his seat to look back. The boat-house was completely hidden by the wooded point between. The wind was behind them, toward the mouth of the gorge where the dam held back these waters. Ledford, when they were a hundred yards offshore, said:

"Stop paddling, Carl, and let's try them here. We'll drift with the wind, fish the shoals here first, and the deep water afterward."

"Good enough," Eberly agreed. He laid down his paddle and began to cast, turning a little sideways so that his back would not interfere with Ledford. Thus he was

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the district attorney had no answer to propose.

Joe rang the bell and asked to see Miss Ledford. She came to them in the small reception room, and Joe said grimly:

"Miss Ledford, I've an unpleasant duty. This is District Attorney Cumberland. I'm Mr. Dane, his assistant. We've found a man dead; and some people think it is your brother, Mr. Ledford. Will you view the body, identify it?"

The frail old woman turned white as snow. "My brother?" she whispered.

"Yes, Rufus Ledford."

"But Rufus is here!" Miss Ledford protested, her weak voice somehow desperate.

"Here?" It was Joe's turn to be shaken. Then he smiled. "Now, Miss Ledford, I'm sorry, but you mustn't try to deceive us."

"But he is," she insisted, urgently. "He's up at the trout pond fishing with Mr. Eberly."

Joe Dane looked at Mat, and he demanded angrily: "Where is this trout pond?"

"Why, you take the road past the garage," Miss Ledford told him. "You can't miss it." Her voice was tremulous, her white hand pressed to her bosom.

Dane turned. "Come on, Mat," he said harshly. "We'll soon see!"

But Mat said: "Look out, Joe!" Miss Ledford, swaying like a reed, had slipped softly to the floor.

They were alone in the reception room, but the door into the hall was open. At Mat's ejaculation, Bee Dewain appeared there in the doorway. Mrs. Tope behind her. Joe had tried, too late, to catch the fainting woman; he was on his knees now, beside her; he looked up stupidly at Bee, and the girl with a gesture swept him aside.

"Get out of here, both of you!" she cried. "You heartless idiots! We'll take care of her!"

Adam carried a rule; Whitlock, the lost to emerge, carried a small outboard motor, awkwardly.

"All right, Adam," Tope said briefly. "You and Bee get out on the point where you can see. Whitlock, put the motor on the rowlock, and don't make any noise. Adam, we won't start till you shout. Move him once; but hit him if you have to."

Adam nodded, moved quickly away. Behind him, Tope and Whitlock were busy for a while. Then they waited, silent, ready.

Adam lay prone in the underbrush on the point, the rifle trained. The canoe was well offshore; he saw the men in it stop paddling and begin to fish. His pulse was shaking him.

Later, Ledford stood up in the canoe; and then he lurched overboard and fell. The canoe overturned, floated with its bottom just awash. Adam, his eyes peering through the sights, saw Eberly floating with his head well out of water, saw Ledford swimming toward the shore. Ten yards of open water lay between the two men.

Ledford turned to look back. And then he began to swim back toward the other man. Eberly threw up one arm!

Adam pressed the trigger; he saw the water leap upward where the bullet hit, midway between the two men. Ledford looked toward the sound of the report, and at the same instant the outboard motor on the rowlock in the cove started with a start.

Adam threw up another shell, but then he lay back, raising his head. Two men in the water, one swimming, one and Ledford. He kept his feet as the boat came to where the two men were.

Whitlock handled the boat. Tope was in the back, Whitlock in the middle, and they moved to a spot. Ledford had seen Mr. Eberly was supporting the other man in the water.

"If you can't see," he said, "I'll help you. You're all right now."

And then Tope and Whitlock were helping them both into the boat. Without a word, when this was done, Whitlock started the engine, preventing conversation, and he began the boat back toward the cove. Tope was in the stern, Tope in the bow, Ledford and Eberly side by side on the middle seats.

Ledford, facing forward, saw men appear on the wharf, as they approached. Two came leaping from a car, two came running along the shore. One of these two held a rifle in his hands. But the buzzing roar of the engine made it impossible for the moment for Ledford to ask questions which the sight of these strangers provoked, and when the engine cut, they slid alongside the wharf. Joe Dane had the first word.

"What in blazes!" he demanded. "Tope, what are you doing here?"

Tope said gently: "Call it meddling, Joe."

Then Ledford cut in, his face white with anger.

"Just a minute!" he exclaimed. "I've a few questions to ask, myself," he added. "Of course, Mr. Eberly and I are grateful for your rescue, but after all, you're trespassers." He glanced at the gun in Adam's hand. "Punchers too, apparently. Out of season, and on private land. May I have an explanation?"

(TO BE CONTINUED)

## Veterans' SERVICE BUREAU

EDITOR'S NOTE: This newspaper, through special arrangement with the Washington Bureau of Western Newspaper Union at 1616 Eye Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., is able to bring readers this weekly column on problems of the veteran and serviceman and his family. Questions may be addressed to the above Bureau and they will be answered in a subsequent column. No replies can be made direct by mail, but only in the column which will appear in this newspaper regularly.

### Decentralization of Hospitals Promised

The veterans' administration in seeking to further decentralize hospital facilities for veterans is contracting with hospitals throughout the nation for "home town care" for veterans with service-connected disabilities, principally for those needing only "out-patient care."

In this connection Dr. Paul R. Hawley, chief medical director, announced that such service may be obtained in hospitals in Kansas, Michigan, California, New Jersey, Washington, Oregon and North Carolina and the service is being extended as rapidly as contracts may be signed.

A schedule of fees has been approved by VA. When the program is in complete operation, veterans with service-connected disabilities will contact the regular VA channels, as formerly, and then will select a doctor from a list of co-operating physicians if they cannot be cared for in a VA out-patient clinic. The service is free to the veteran and VA pays the doctor through the state medical service agency.

The plan will eliminate long trips by veterans to obtain medical care. The same regulations apply to those receiving similar treatment from their home town physician.

### Questions and Answers

Q. Am I, as an officer, entitled to travel pay for my wife from point of my discharge to home while she is on terminal leave? She lived with me two months immediately prior to my discharge.—D. L. P., Pipestone, Minn.

A. Your letter indicates your wife was also an officer. I suggest you write to Dependent Travel Branch, General Accounting Office, Washington, D. C.

Q. When will World War I veterans receive a pension, and at what age? I have been sick ever since I got out of the army, but couldn't get a pension.—J. D. K., East Dubuque, Ill.

A. World War I veterans do not automatically get a pension at any age. They were awarded a bonus if your illness was service-connected or aggravated by your service, your only hope is to apply for disability at your nearest veterans' administration office.

Q. My husband was a veteran of World War I, serving six weeks at Little Rock, Ark. He was given a medical discharge on account of his heart. He died last year of heart trouble. Would I be entitled to a widow's pension?—Mrs. O. E. P., Pocahontas, Iowa.

A. I am inclined to believe you might be, but you should make your application to the nearest veterans' administration office for their decision.

Q. My husband went to the army on July 2, 1912, and got an honorable discharge on October 7, 1912. I did not receive an allotment for myself and baby while he was gone. Is there any way I can get it now and is my husband eligible for the \$20 a week for 52 weeks?—Mrs. L. D. C., Tallahassee, Fla.

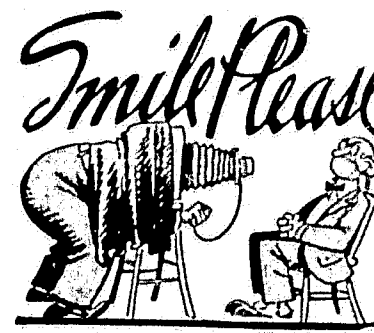
A. Although your husband was in the army less than a year, you might be getting back pay for the 52 weeks. Write to the Army Pay Office, 1400 G Street, N. W., Washington 25, D. C. If you are a widow, you are entitled to back pay for 52 days of service and in some cases, he is entitled to make application for a gratuity or unpaid U. S. Unemployment Service and receive up to \$30 per week until obtaining employment, but not more than 52 weeks.

Q. My son was employed by a firm in St. Paul as personnel manager before he entered service three years ago. He served in the European and Pacific theaters. He returned in January and went to see about his job again. His employer offered him another job at a much lower rate of pay. What can he do and can his company be made to give him his former job back?—Mother, Clouet, Minn.

A. Under the Selective Service law your son is entitled to his old job or one of similar pay and seniority if he is physically able to fill the job. Suggest he contact his selective service board and they will see that he has legal representation.

Q. My son enlisted in the service the summer of 1912. I did not receive a family allowance until December 1, 1914. I was and still am his dependent mother. I would like to know if I am entitled to and can get family allowance beginning November 1, 1913, or for the year 1914.—A mother, Matthews, Co., Va.

A. Family allowances to parents is not compulsory. The question is was the allowance deducted from your son's pay during that year. If so, you are entitled to it. Write to Army Central Adjustment office, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., St. Louis 23, Mo.



## Smile Please

### GOLDEN CHANCE

The late humorist, Eli Perkins, boarded the Boston and Maine train one morning when, according to his shamefaced confession, the following incident occurred.

A pleasant young man advanced smiling upon him and said, "I beg your pardon, sir, but are you not the gentleman who lectured in Portsmouth last night?"

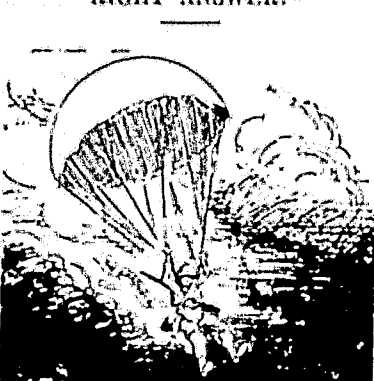
"I am," admitted Perkins, with some pride.

"Well," said the young stranger. "I want to thank you for it. I don't know when I ever enjoyed myself more than when you were talking."

"You are very complimentary," said Perkins, warmly shaking the young man's hand. "Very complimentary. I am glad my humble effort was worthy of your praise."

"Yes," continued the other, "it gave me immense pleasure. You see, I am engaged to a Portsmouth girl, and her three sisters all went, and I had my girl in the parlor all to myself."

### RIGHT ANSWER!



It happened on one of those radio quiz programs. "What's the next contestant?" asked the m.c. "I have a paratrooper, sir," came the voice of an assistant in the balcony.

The quizmaster asked brightly: "The question for you to answer, soldier, is: How many successful jumps did a paratrooper have to make before he graduated?"

From the balcony came the immediate and logical answer: "All of 'em!"

### Catastrophe

A newcomer to the field of radio asked George Jessel for advice recently.

"The most important thing to remember," cautioned the comedian, "is to be careful in selecting your sponsor."

"Why is that so vital?" inquired the novice.

"I recall the time I was sponsored by a hair tonic company. Once in an audience jammed studio, just as I wound up a whizz bang commercial on the wonders of the product, calamity befell me."

"What happened?"

"My wig fell off!" groaned Jessel.

### Good Children

Down in the Louisiana swamp last two boys were caught operating a big radio station still.

"We're not moonshiners," protested one of the youngsters, who are just entering their teens here still for Catholic Holy Orders.

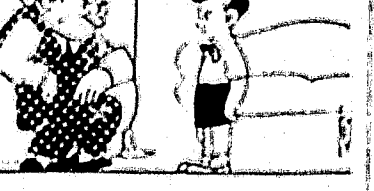
"Why do you Protest then, son?" demanded the reverend official.

"Oh, he got to be too smart," explained the other boy. "He's a better than the grand jury."

### Glorious Place

The teacher asked the boy if he told her the name of an interesting place where he and his friends had been. The place where we all go to school.

### HALF MEASURES



"Look here, my boy," said the stern papa, "you don't do your work well. You'll have to learn never to do things by halves."

"Say Pop," replied the smart son, "then how do you expect me to eat my grapefruit?"

### Slack Approach

"Grandmother, were you a little girl like me once?"

"Yes, dear."

"Then I suppose you know how it feels to get ice cream cones when you don't expect them?"

### Double Trouble

"See here, sir," it says on this application you just filled out that you are supporting two wives. That's bigamy!"

"O, no. My son just got married."

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# THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN

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THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 1946

## UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE CO.

116 William St., New York, N. Y.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945

Real Estate \$ 1,600.00

Mortgage Loans 27,501.25

Stocks and Bonds 12,027,431.47

Cash in Office and Bank 6,576,879.21

Agents' Balances 2,274,798.18

Bills Receivable 334,553.92

Interest and Rents 77,025.62

All other Assets 210,166.91

Gross Assets \$52,699,849.63

Deduct items not admitted 44,782.45

Admitted \$52,655,067.18

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945

Net Unpaid Losses \$ 8,465,204.65

Unearned Premiums 1,568,409.85

All other Liabilities 2,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities 27,568,282.47

Total Liabilities and Surplus \$52,655,067.18

On the basis of December 31, 1945 Market

Quotations for all Bonds and Stocks owned.

The Total Admitted Assets and Bonds

would be increased by \$1,085,688.79.

VERMONT ACCIDENT INS. CO.

Rutland, Vermont

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945

Mortgage Loans \$4,506.40

Stocks and Bonds 175,831.07

Cash in Office and Bank 18,996.10

Interest and Rents 1,297.61

All other Assets 7,667.93

Gross Assets \$208,289.31

Deduct items not admitted \$5.00

Admitted \$208,284.31

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945

Net Unpaid Losses \$22,130.26

Unearned Premiums 3,239.26

All other Liabilities 3,000.00

Cash Capital 35,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities 126,414.85

Total Liabilities and Surplus \$208,284.31

Condensed Statement

FEDERAL MUTUAL FIRE IN-

Insurance Co., Boston 10, Mass.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945

Stocks and Bonds \$1,254,092.29

Cash in Office and Bank \$1,916.50

Agents' Balances 75,158.48

Interest and Rents 4,902.42

Other Assets 14,257.71

Gross Assets \$1,477,744.95

Less items not admitted 1,083.33

Deduct items not admitted \$1,083.33

Admitted \$1,476,661.62

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945

Net Unpaid Losses \$112,429.37

Unearned Premiums 71,434.47

All other Liabilities 12,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities 1,280,807.88

Total Liabilities and Surplus \$1,476,661.62

CONDENSED STATEMENT

MUTUAL BENEFIT HEALTH &

ACCIDENT ASSOCIATION

Omaha, Neb.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945

Mortgage Loans \$36,628.73

Stocks and Bonds \$2,771,547.95

Cash in Office and Bank \$5,550,973.41

Agents' Balances 258,569.59

Interest and Rents 297,645.76

Other Assets 797,350.41

Gross Assets \$10,782,606.85

Less items not admitted 44,000.00

Deduct items not admitted \$44,000.00

Admitted \$10,738,606.85

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945

Net Unpaid Losses \$1,121,522.22

Unearned Premiums \$1,770,224.44

All other Liabilities 6,576,879.21

Surplus over all Liabilities 15,240,185.08

Total Liabilities and Surplus \$10,738,606.85

CONDENSED STATEMENT

STANDARD ACCIDENT INSUR-

ANCE COMPANY, Detroit, Mich.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945

Real Estate \$ 1,000.00

Mortgage Loans 1,124,499.42

Stocks and Bonds 30,250,947.45

Cash in Office and Bank 3,900,655.59

Agents' Balances 1,000,000.00

Bills Receivable 20,000.00

Interest and Rents 149,645.45

Other Assets 1,000,000.00

Gross Assets \$44,782,448.91

Less items not admitted 248,700.00

Deduct items not admitted \$248,700.00

Admitted \$44,533,748.91

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945

Net Unpaid Losses \$1,000,000.00

Unearned Premiums 3,514,776.71

All other Liabilities 2,518,569.00

Surplus over all Liabilities 11,500,403.20

Total Liabilities and Surplus \$44,533,748.91

CONDENSED STATEMENT

UNITED MUTUAL FIRE INSUR-

ANCE COMPANY, Boston, Mass.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945

Stocks and Bonds \$10,550,158.42

Cash in Office and Bank \$1,510,879.25

Agents' Balances 751,000.00

Interest and Rents 45,040.94

Other Assets 301,034.07

Gross Assets \$12,238,102.68

Less items not admitted \$1,585.59

Deduct items not admitted \$1,585.59

Admitted \$12,236,517.09

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CONDENSED STATEMENT

SECURITY INSURANCE CO. OF

NEW HAVEN, New Haven, Conn.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945

Real Estate \$ 1,000.00

Mortgage Loans 1,124,499.42

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FACILITY NATIONAL FIRE INSUR-

ANCE CO., New York, N. Y.

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THE HOME INSURANCE COMPANY

Philadelphia, Penn.

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THE AETNA CASUALTY AND

SURTY COMPANY

Hartford, Conn.

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Stocks and Bonds \$12,259,413.65 Cash in Office and Bank 1,271,981.66 Agents' Balances 678,441.47 Bills Receivable 2,561.15 Interest and Rents 26,350.95 All other Assets 42,598.44  Gross Assets \$14,281,347.32 Deduct items not admitted 38,643.33  Admitted \$14,242,703.99  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$2,637,160.94 Unearned Premiums 4,480,788.48 All other Liabilities 572,448.99 Cash Capital 1,000,000.00 Surplus over all Liabilities 5,552,305.58  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$14,242,703.99	Mortgage Loans \$9,350.00 Stocks and Bonds 381,275.17 Cash in Office and Bank 72,651.05 Agents' Balances 36,307.06 Interest and Rents 3,406.68 All other Assets 8,360.44  Gross Assets \$511,350.40 Deduct items not admitted 994.78  Admitted \$510,355.62  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$22,608.86 Unearned Premiums 260,086.64 All other Liabilities 15,927.30 Surplus over all Liabilities 211,732.32  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$510,355.62	Real Estate \$2,650,110.08 Mortgage Loans 291,714.44 Stocks and Bonds 26,716,129.70 Cash in Office and Bank 1,732,588.44 Agents' Balances 1,891,993.37 Interest and Rents 44,009.11 All other Assets 441,002.35  Deduct items not admitted 1,702,958.78 Gross Assets \$33,767,547.49  Admitted \$32,064,588.71  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$2,976,051.00 Unearned Premiums 11,893,414.49 All other Liabilities 818,382.91 Cash Capital 2,399,974.00 Surplus over all Liabilities 13,976,766.31  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$32,064,588.71	Stocks and Bonds \$6,499,902.29 Cash in Office and Bank 617,922.64 Agents' Balances 831,316.01 Interest and Rents 22,244.54 All other Assets 422,866.60  Gross Assets \$8,394,252.08 Deduct items not admitted 149,485.78  Admitted \$8,244,766.30  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$1,687,599.89 Unearned Premiums 3,249,962.02 All other Liabilities 408,548.14 Surplus over all Liabilities 2,398,656.25 Statutory Deposit 500,000.00  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$8,244,766.30

Your present Fire and Lightning Insurance can be endorsed at very small cost to cover the following perils:

Windstorm, Cyclone, Tornado, Hail, Explosion, Riot, Aircraft, Vehicles, Smoke

Take advantage of this opportunity to supplement your present protection.

THE UNITED STATES BRANCH OF THE LONDON ASSURANCE LONDON, ENGLAND ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945	U. S. BRANCH PHOENIX ASSURANCE CO., LTD. 55 Fifth Ave., New York 3, N. Y. ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945	QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945
Real Estate Nil Mortgage Loans \$7,000.00 Collateral Loans Nil Stocks and Bonds 10,510,722.68 Cash in Office and Bank 1,265,214.74 Agents' Balances 728,449.17 Bills Receivable 18,793.53 Interest and Rents 33,182.51 All other Assets 72,572.92  Gross Assets \$12,635,935.55 Deduct items not admitted 82,139.97  Admitted \$12,553,795.58  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$1,952,300.24 Unearned Premiums 3,901,992.75 All other Liabilities 773,983.76 Cash Capital 500,000.00 Surplus over all Liabilities 5,425,512.83  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$12,553,795.58	Real Estate \$228,578.90 Mortgage Loans 6,000.00 Stocks and Bonds 7,214,983.02 Cash in Office and Bank 618,526.16 Agents' Balances 825,368.06 Bills Receivable 3,957.36 Interest and Rents 24,997.10 All other Assets 55,557.62  Gross Assets \$8,997,998.22 Deduct items not admitted 223,827.97  Admitted \$8,774,170.25  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$812,476.00 Unearned Premiums 4,814,227.41 All other Liabilities 382,791.35 Statutory Deposit 500,000.00 Surplus over all Liabilities 2,274,675.46  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$8,774,170.25	Stocks and Bonds \$38,213,215.45 Cash in Office and Bank 1,409,909.31 Agents' Balances 856,013.26 Bills Receivable 20,306.21 Interest and Rents 117,711.60 All other Assets 1,476,241.00  Gross Assets \$32,094,302.83 Deduct items not admitted 55,417.51  Admitted \$31,938,885.41  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$3,592,753.67 Unearned Premiums 11,482,897.21 All other Liabilities 2,102,392.43 Cash Capital 5,000,000.00 Surplus over all Liabilities 9,800,842.11  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$32,094,302.83 On the basis of Dec 31, 1945 market quotations for all bonds and stocks owned, this company's total admitted assets would be increased to \$33,244,087.42 and surplus to \$11,066,044.03.

New automobiles are on the way and you will want protection for same. If you plan to finance your car with any bank or finance company you have the privilege to furnish the proper insurance and we will be pleased to take care of this insurance for you.

GRANITE STATE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY Portsmouth, New Hampshire ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945	EQUITABLE FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY Providence, R. I. ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945	FITCHBURG MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY Fitchburg, Massachusetts ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945	THE HANOVER FIRE INSURANCE CO. New York ASSETS DEC. 31, 1945
Real Estate \$94,077.51 Mortgage Loans 6,918.24 Stocks and Bonds 4,596,568.70 Cash in Office and Bank 474,293.54 Agents' Balances 368,834.47 Bills Receivable 954.01 Interest and Rents 27,525.70 All other Assets 286,261.05  Deduct items not admitted 18,154.20 Gross Assets \$5,853,433.31  Admitted \$5,835,279.11  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$468,558.55 Unearned Premiums 2,442,565.81 All other Liabilities 58,000.00 Cash Capital 1,000,000.00 Surplus over all Liabilities 1,856,154.75  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$5,835,279.11	Mortgage Loans \$23,000.00 Stocks and Bonds 8,114,560.00 Cash in Office and Bank 965,001.34 Agents' Balances 318,847.73 Bills Receivable 3,660.67 Interest and Rents 21,747.17 All other Assets 17,831.65  Gross Assets \$9,465,811.56 Deduct items not admitted 29,536.51  Admitted Assets \$9,436,275.05  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$475,693.53 Unearned Premiums 1,507,674.23 All other Liabilities 113,211.51 Cash Capital 1,000,000.00 Surplus over all Liabilities 6,279,725.33  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$9,436,275.05	Real Estate \$72,000.00 Mortgage Loans 415,171.00 Stocks and Bonds 108,168.99 Cash in Office and Bank 66,480.92 Agents' Balances 382,791.35 Interest and Rents 2,739.90 All other Assets 13,473.99  Gross Assets \$769,334.90 Deduct items not admitted 35.53  Admitted \$769,299.37  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$32,559.84 Unearned Premiums 448,815.25 All other Liabilities 18,755.93 Surplus over all Liabilities 270,170.23  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$769,299.37	Stocks and Bonds \$24,531,865.00 Cash in Office and Bank 2,624,534.68 Agents' Balances 1,176,832.93 Bills Receivable 20,302.43 Interest and Rents 58,405.18 All other Assets 718,583.97  Gross Assets \$28,530,524.24 Deduct items not admitted 39,056.87  Admitted \$28,491,467.37  LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1945 Net Unpaid Losses \$2,938,499.00 Unearned Premiums 8,583,993.25 All other Liabilities 3,010,010.25 Cash Capital 4,000,000.00 Surplus over all Liabilities 9,953,055.06  Total Liabilities and Surplus \$28,491,467.37

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WE WISH TO EXTEND OUR SINCERE THANKS TO OUR MANY PATRONS.



## Kathleen Norris Says:

To Learn How to Stay Married

Bell Syndicate—WNU Features.



"With the material you have right at hand you can make a real success of your wifehood and motherhood, and save one more marriage from the rocks."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

"WE HAVE been married seven years," writes a Montana woman, "and now my husband wants to take a course in marriage, and have me take it with him! Of all the idiotic notions to make a fool of him and me too, this is the worst! They are going to give this course in the evenings, at the junior college, and you can imagine how our friends would enjoy the idea of our meekly sitting there among a lot of youngsters, being told how to preserve our marriage."

"I don't deny," the letter continues, "that we are going through a very hard time of readjustment, the long war years having pretty well demoralized us. Paul's pay was trebled in three years, and at one time my earnings ran in more than \$600 a month. Our two children stayed with my mother and Paul and I lived with friends near the plant in California."

"We made more money than we ever dreamed of making, of course, but didn't have a great deal. Our friends were very envious, and a lot was said. I don't grudge this, for we had a good time, and I have my fur coat out of it, and Paul has a car—and so on. But now we are going back to civilian days and high prices, and the little we have saved we want to put into a home. Here's where the trouble starts."

"I want a two-story house that will insure me a rental income, and Paul wants a place out in the country, to which we will have quite a lot to do. Painting, a bathroom, electricity and so on. The place in town will cost \$17,000, against which a \$50 rent immediately will count. The country place is only \$4,500, but as I say much must be done to it. This point, and matters of the children's training, and a lot of other smaller things, have caused a good deal of criticism between us, and now Paul suggests a course in marriage. I have refused to consider this, and he says he will go alone, which will make me even more ridiculous."

"He spoils the children, resents my mother's possessive attitude toward them, tells them of the fun they'll have in the country, and seems to delight in setting them against me. I hate to think that my husband might more of me when I was making money, but certainly he is taking a funny attitude now. I would go back to the plant, except that it is closed, and hundreds of us who made big wartime pay are unemployed. Please telegraph me at my expense which one of us you think is right, and what a thick marriage course!" And she signs it, "disconsolately, Belma."

In answer I telegraphed "approve country house, disapprove marriage course in night school." But to expand that a little I would like to say to Belma that actual material adjustments to civilian living, after the convulsion of war, are not half as hard as the mental and spiritual adjustments. Make that adjustment—think out that conversion in your own mind and you will have no trouble with the details."

You have a husband who loves his children, who wants a country home, and will keep that home supplied with comfort. You are therefore among the luckiest women in the entire world. Too many men have awakened from the war dream

### GIVE AND TAKE

A woman who has been married seven years writes to Miss Norris, asking for some unusual advice. It seems her husband wants her to go with him to night school to take a "marriage course." Their difficulties began when their war jobs ended. The main problem right now is the choice of a home.

She wants to purchase a two-flat in town, while he wants a country house. Their savings are adequate to buy what they wish. It is just a question of choice. Other points of disagreement are trivial; he "spoils" the children, resents his mother-in-law's possessive attitude toward them, tells them how much fun they would have in the country, and so forth. On the other hand, he is affectionate, generous, hard-working and kind.

Miss Norris replies that a course in marriage would do these people no good. They both know what the real reasons for disagreement are. No course can change the thinking of two people who are set in their ways. The only solution is tolerance and intelligence, mixed with affectionate regard for each other's opinions and desires.

In an ugly and dissatisfied mood, harsh with their children, unhappy at home, wanting another woman, another sort of life.

### Has Excellent Qualities.

Your man, as you tell me in parts of the letter I did not have room to quote, is generous, affectionate, companionable, popular. He is steady, ambitious, and anxious to make a go of your marriage. He proves that by his willingness to take advice that will help him save it. With the material you have right to hand you can make a real success of your wifehood and motherhood, and save one more marriage from the rocks.

My advice against the marriage course is for two reasons. One you feel very strongly, that it would cause comment and amusement among your friends, and as it would. The second reason is that in your own heart, and in his, you know what makes or un-makes a marriage. You don't have to go to school for that. You know that a marriage to be happy needs many surface qualities, consideration, gentleness, patience, intelligent change. And it also needs many deep interior things, philosophy, courage to face small disappointments and differences, belief that the true confidence with which you two started in seven years ago was not misplaced, that the right qualities are there to build upon.

No college course can teach you to grow up to be sensible human beings. Let time, silence, faith settle the differences between you and smooth them away. Make that country home a real home, in which Dad spoils the children a little and Granny makes up by a little extra discipline, and Mother is the guide and inspiration of them all.

### Honor Belgian Heroine

Miss Andrea de Jongh, 25, of Belgium has been awarded the George Medal, Britain's highest civilian decoration. She risked her life repeatedly to help downed Allied airmen through enemy lines. When captured she refused to reveal her underground contacts despite Nazi "third degree" pressure. "From 1941 to 1943," the citation reads, "she organized the dispatch of these Allied personnel, crossing mountains in all weather and swimming the Somme river 20 times."



For Easter Dinner . . . Luscious Baked Ham (See Recipes Below)

### Dish Up Color, Springlike Flavor In Easter Foods

This year Easter should be all you want it to be. The spirit of peace and well being is with us. Loved ones have returned, and spring has begun. For the home maker, Easter dinner will be fairly easy to prepare as long as you have returned in quantity.

If you like ham, then make it as pretty as a picture with your clever hands and nimble fingers. Set it on a table with your nicest arrangement of fresh garden flowers. Lilies, of course, are nice, but there are other floral arrangements that will do wonders. Daffodils are fresh and cheerful. Tulips with snapdragons make an elegant centerpiece.

Modern food processing makes your ham tender so that there need not be any pre-cooking with the better brands. The ham will require only a thorough heating through which does not take more than 2 to 2 1/2 hours even for the larger pieces of meat.

The appetizing glaze is easy to prepare, and the crusty goodness it gives the meat will make everyone vote you their favorite cook. The glazes are many and you can just take your choice. An especially easy one is to spread your favorite citrus marmalade on the ham during the last half hour of baking.

In selecting the ham, consider the number of people you want to serve. For six people you will need a ham weighing 6 to 8 pounds. Naturally, if you want to have ham for alling and leftovers, get one of the larger sizes. There's always good eating in it.

Your choice of potatoes with ham will usually come around to sweet potatoes, and perhaps white potatoes. Sweet potatoes are lovely to eat when conduced with syrup (maple flavored) and butter in a heavy skillet. Another nice way to prepare them is like this:

### Whipped Sweet Potatoes.

Serves 6

Peel 6 sweet potatoes, boil until tender for about 15 to 20 minutes. Mash with potato masher or ricer, with 4 tablespoons of butter. Season with a dash of salt and nutmeg. Pipe into orange cups, sprinkle with brown sugar and place

under the broiler until lightly browned. Use as a garnish on ham platter and top each with a maraschino cherry.

A perky, spicy salad, molded so as to save you work, is a good choice for this busy day. This one uses ginger ale:

\*Ginger Ale Salad.  
(Serves 4)  
1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin  
1/2 cup cold water  
1/2 cup pineapple juice  
1/2 cup sugar  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 cup ginger ale  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
2 slices canned pineapple, sliced  
1/2 cup grapes  
1 cup skinned grapefruit sections  
8 maraschino cherries  
2 tablespoons chopped preserved ginger

Soak gelatin in cold water. Heat pineapple juice. Add gelatin, stir until dissolved. Add sugar, salt, ginger ale and lemon juice. Chill until mixture begins to thicken. Add remaining ingredients. Pour into a mold which has been brushed with salad oil. Chill until firm. Unmold on lettuce. Garnish with salad dressing.

What to do with Leftovers.  
There are so many things you can do with leftovers from a dinner like this that your family would never realize they are being treated to the scraps. Here are suggestions which you will enjoy using again and again:

Upside-Down Ham Loaf  
Melt 1/2 tablespoons of fat in a heavy skillet and cover the bottom with leftover pineapple pieces or thick slices of apples which have been pared and cored. Cover this with the following mixture: 3/4 cups ground cooked ham, 1 cup bread crumbs, 1 egg, 1 cup milk and 1 tablespoon mustard. Mix well and place over the fruit in the skillet. Bake for 45 minutes in a moderate oven. Pour off any excess fat and turn upside-down on a serving platter. This serves from 4 to 6.

Rice and Ham Fling.  
2 cups cooked rice  
1 cup ham, sliced  
1 egg  
1/2 cup condensed mushroom soup  
1/2 cup milk  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon dried basil  
1 cup crushed potato chips or bread crumbs  
Combine the ham and rice and mix thoroughly. Combine and heat the remaining ingredients with the exception of the potato chips or bread crumbs. Grease a nine-inch ring mold and place layers of the rice-ham and egg-mushroom mixture in it. Sprinkle the top with potato chips which have been crushed, or the bread crumbs. Place the ring mold in a pan of hot water and bake in a moderate oven for 30 to 35 minutes. Invert onto a hot platter and fill the center with a buttered green vegetable and surround the mold with julienne carrots. Serve immediately.

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### Lynn Chambers' Menus

Easter Dinner  
Fresh Fruit Cup  
with Cherry Juice  
Baked Ham  
Green Beans with Mushrooms  
Parsleyed New Potatoes  
Candied Sweet Potatoes  
Bran Refrigerator Rolls  
Relishes  
\*Frozen Ginger Ale Salad  
Lemon Meringue Tarts  
Beverage  
\*Recipe Given

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### SEWING CIRCLE PATTERNS

## Drawstring Frock for Tiny Tot



YOU'LL want to make up several of these adorable little drawstring frocks for your tiny tot. So easy to do—and so few pattern pieces. Panties to match. Use a soft all-over flower print or dainty polka-dotted fabrics.

Pattern No. 1481 comes in sizes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 years. Size 2, dress, 1 1/2 yards of 35 or 39-inch material; panties, 1/2 yard.

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LOOK and feel as crisp as lettuce leaf in this simple house dress with its slim princess lines and nice drape. Brief cap sleeves are cool and comfortable. Bold ric rac on a pretty edging for neck, sleeve and scalloped closing.

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## AROUND THE HOUSE

To measure a half tablespoonful or teaspoonful of dry ingredients fill spoon, scrape level with a knife and divide lengthwise. To measure a quarter spoonful halve crosswise.

A lemon heated before squeezing will produce a lot more juice than if it is squeezed cold.

Before laying out a vegetable garden choose a spot with a southern exposure and one that is away from trees. Trees rob the soil of moisture and plant food.

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and technical innovations, such as terraceing and strip cropping. A state representative and president of the Agricultural Foundation, Inc., he is now raising two million dollars for the farm research program at North Carolina State college. Tom has a wife and two sons to aid him.

It is particularly noticeable that the section of the United States in which a farmer lives has little to do with his ability to be a "champion." These five farmers come from New England, the Mississippi valley, the North and the South. The American farmer can do his job in any state, or climate, when he sets him-

and first to meet the Russians. Among his higher decorations are the Distinguished Service Cross and the Silver Star from the first war and the Distinguished Service Medal and an Oak Leaf Cluster for services in the current conflict.

General Hodges presently commands the First army with headquarters at Fort Bragg, N. C.

From private to four-star general is a route any soldier would like to travel—and Courtney Hicks Hodges is one who did! And in future years some of America's highest ranking officers will come from the ranks, from among men who made the army a career.

ELDER, COLO. — He wanted to war—just a boy. He really was a man—and went back to school. How's he getting along?" says W. C. Toepelman, "the veterans' affairs officer at the university. And, with few exceptions, they asked no special favors because they were war veterans."

He has been vets on the C. O. since July 1944, but the re-

By PAULINE FREDERICK  
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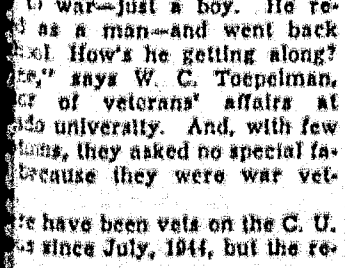
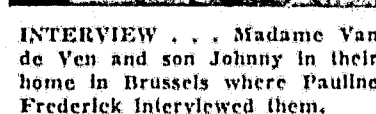
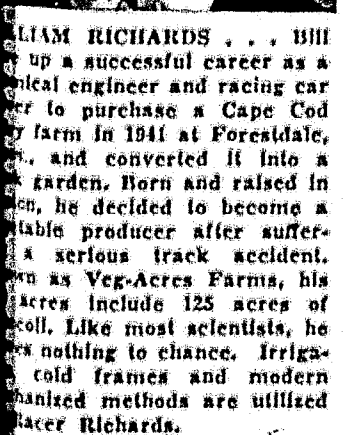
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In the food line, the scarcest item  
is potatoes, with meat running sec-  
ond just before the electricity. A  
few weeks later came out which slightly in-  
creased the ration for fat, meat,  
and coffee and, of course, there was  
a suspension on the part of many peo-  
ple.

When I awoke, my sleeper was standing in the rain beside the station platform in Brussels. It was seven o'clock and not yet light. The rest of the train on which we had crossed the Rhine at full flood the night before coming from Germany, had moved on to Calais with its England-bound servicemen.

I noticed right away that there was a difference in the station from what of almost any major German city I had entered in the last three months. There were no twisted girders and smashed skylights, no crumpled locomotives standing in the yards.

As I came out onto the street, crowded street-car trams, they call them here, were hurrying by with people jamming on and off as best they could, as seems to be the fashion in trolley-boarding all over Europe. There was a hustle of civilian traffic to which I had grown accustomed in Germany.

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### CHURCH ACTIVITIES

#### METHODIST CHURCH

William Penner, Pastor  
9:45 Church School, Miss Minnie Wilson, superintendent.

11:00 Morning Worship Service  
Sermon theme: "The Living Christ and the Living Church." There will be baptism and reception of new members into the fellowship of the church.

6:30 Youth Fellowship meeting at the church. Amy Penner has charge of the program.  
The Eleanor Gordon Guild will meet on Wednesday, April 24th at Barbara Wheeler's home at 7:30 o'clock. Virginia Keniston is co-hostess.

The members of the Youth Fellowship are making plans for a public supper to be given on Thursday, May 9th.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
John J. Foster, Minister  
9:45 Church School, Mrs. Loton Hutchinson, superintendent.

11:00 Easter Sunday Morning Service. Sermon Topic, "Christ is

Alive."

There will be a Candlelight Service of poetry and organ music at 6:30 o'clock Sunday evening in the church. This is the regular meeting of the Pilgrim Fellowship, and the public is invited to share in their program.

The Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Elwood F. Ireland at 7:15 p. m. Wednesday for a short business meeting and devotional service. At eight o'clock all members are invited to attend the "Village Forum."

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